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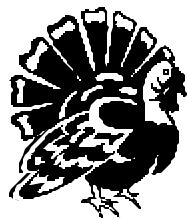
NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was steady to barely steady. No sales reported. Offerings remain adequate for the limited demand. Bulk parts and meats trading slow. Demand slow and very seasonal. Buyers remain cautious and selective and continue to bid lower.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand and trading light. Sales centered on moderate volume of frozen tom drums. Limited interest noted for product going to Mexico. Supplies are uneven but generally available.



WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JANUARY 07, 2003**

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FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	57-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	57-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 7 JANUARY 2003.

White meat trade sentiment was steady to instances weak. Demand seasonally slow with a few further processors noting cooked and deli movement slower than anticipated for the time of year. Offerings readily available as some sellers attempt to attract buyer interest at lower trending offering price levels. The export undertone on thigh meat was mixed. Strength was noted on thigh meat into some export channels due to the limited number of capable suppliers while others lowered their offering prices in an attempt to attract buyer inquiry. Trading was light on all items with activity centered on tom necks for domestic shipments.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	99.00	400
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		T	115.00	500
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	88.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	18.00-20.00		19.67	18
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	18.00	4
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	22.00		22.00	3
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	20.00	30
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	23.00	10
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	53.00	40
NECKS, TOM	12.50-15.00		13.31	218
NECKS, HEN		R	12.00	8
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	119.28	94
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	131.00		131.00	120
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	63.00	62
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	79.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT				
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	97.45	440
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH				
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	15.00		15.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		F	15.44	107
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	18.00		18.00	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	22.11	432
TAILS		F	17.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		M	54.00	80

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins. 4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	88-98
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	88-98
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	67-68
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	63
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	66-72

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	119-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	119-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	105-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	105-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	105-129

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 8 JANUARY 2003.

The white meat market continued steady to weak, however, increased activity was noted on frozen at the lower trending price levels. Demand light as sellers aggressively attempt to move frozen inventories. Offerings ranged from adequate to burdensome. Some processors continued to note slower than anticipated cooked and deli demand while a few processors report heavier than expected live production weights resulting in additional product available for sale. The undertone on tom bulk parts was about steady on 2-joints, mixed on the balance of items with some sellers more willing to negotiate than others. Demand light on bulk parts for domestic shipments with the best interest noted on hen 2-joints. Export demand ranged light to fair on bulk parts with Russian buyers the most aggressive, balance cautious. Domestic trading centered on light volumes of frozen white meat with -6 months age, balance slow. Export trading centered on a moderate volume of tom drums, balance light. Grade A non-basted 18-20 lb. breasts traded at 95 cents delivered Domestic. For export: frozen mechanically separated turkey -60 days age 12, tom necks 15, fresh tom drums 18 cents delivered.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	99.00	400
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/	154.00-155.00		154.90	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	92.00		92.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		T	19.67	18
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH	20.00		20.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	18.00		18.00	60
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		T	22.00	3
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	20.00	30
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	22.00		22.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	54.00		54.00	40
NECKS, TOM	12.00-15.00		13.50	160
NECKS, HEN		R	12.00	8
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	118.00		118.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		T	131.00	120
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	59.00		59.00	80
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	79.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT	64.00-67.00		66.14	280
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	98.00-101.00		100.50	240
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	120.00		120.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	42.00-46.00		44.80	300
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	18.00		18.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	16.00-17.00		16.50	160
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	17.00-24.00		19.23	648
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	17.00-26.00		19.86	288
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	22.11	432
TAILS	19.00		19.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	14.50		14.50	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	52.50-60.00		57.50	120

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 0 2/07/03

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD	ACCUMULATED		
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDS
2002-2003	8,513	217,213	217,513
2001-2002	12,487	223,073	223,373

BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 12/31/02

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD	ACCUMULATED		
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDS
2002-2003	10,246	208,700	209,000
2001-2002	0	210,586	210,886

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